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TAGS: ETRD, TU

SUBJECT: TURKISH CANCELLATION OF U.S. GRAIN CONTRACTS

REF: STATE 158729

1. TWO ENGLISH-LANGUAGE WEEKLY PUBLICATIONS MENTIONED THE GRAIN AND FEED TRADE ASSOCIATION (GAFTA) ARBITRATION AWARD IN FAVOR OF THE CONTINENTAL GRAIN COMPANY. ONE OF THEM MENTIONED THE AMOUNT OF TL 1.0 BILLION (\$70.2 MILLION), PLUS 10 PERCENT INTEREST CHARGES AND RECOMMENDED THAT THE TURKISH SOIL PRODUCTS (TMO) OFFICE WOULD BE BETTER OFF TO BUY THE WHEAT AT THE ORIGINAL PRICE. (AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, TMO CLOSED OUT ON JUNE 2 A BID COVERING 500,000 TONS OF WHEAT, AND THIS BID WAS JUST REISSUED, DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE PRIME MINISTER SAID, "TURKEY WOULD HAVE A SUFFICIENCY OF WHEAT THIS YEAR. IT WOULD NOT IMPORT ANY.") TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, THERE HAVE BEEN NO OTHER COMMENTS IN THE TURKISH PRESS, RADIO, OR TELEVISION ON THE AWARD.

2. TMO ITSELF AND A NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS APPEAR TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT IT, AND HAVE STATED THAT THIS IS ONLY THE FIRST STEP; THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OTHER FORMALITIES

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INVOLVED.

3. IN THE COURSE OF CONVERSATIONS AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON JULY 8, ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT OFFICERS WERE UNAWARE OF THE AWARD AND VOLUNTEERED TO CHECK WITH THE TMO ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS. WE WILL ADVISE AS SOON AS THE FOREIGN OFFICE LETS US KNOW TMO'S OFFICIAL REACTION.  
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